National Policy for Adivasis

†2090. SHRI UDAY PRAPTAP SINGH: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating to formulate National Policy for Adivasis (Tribals) for their development and welfare; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of the welfare works included in the draft?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has already formulated a draft of a National Tribal Policy covering all important issues that concern tribals, such as Alienation of Tribal Land; Tribal-Forest Interface; Displacement, Rehabilitation & Resettlement; Enhancement of Human Development Index; Creation of Critical Infrastructure; Violent Manifestations; Conservation & Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTGs); Adoption of Tribal Sub Plan Strategy; Empowerment; Gender Equity, Enlisting Support of Non-Governmental Organisations; Tribal Culture & Traditional Knowledge; Administration of Tribal Areas; the Regulatory & Protective Regime; Scheduling & De-scheduling of Tribes, etc. The draft policy has been made available to the members of the public through the Ministry's website and copies of the said draft policy have been sent to the Central Ministers, Ministries/Departments of the Government of India, State Governments, UT Administrations, academicians, anthrpotogists, social activists, experts working for the welfare of tribal people and other stakeholders for their comments and suggestions.

Hostels for ST boys/girls

†2091. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a proposal involving rupees 724.00 lakhs for the construction of hostels building for the boys/girls belonging to Scheduled Tribes is pending with Government; and

(b) if so, by when it is likely to be approved?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PR. KYNDIAH): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs have received proposals for release

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.